


REMARKS

The present amendment is submitted under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 in order to correct minor typographical errors in claims 1, 3, 9, 11, 13, 16, 19, 21, 28, 29, 31, 35, 44 and 46. Generally, in various portions of the claims, "upper surface" or "surface portion" is used to refer to "upper surface portion." Therefore, in order to make these terms consistent, claims 1, 3, 13, 19, 28, 29 and 44 have been amended to replace "an upper surface" with --an upper surface portion--, and claims 9, 11, 16, 21, 31, 35 and 46 have been amended to replace "surface portion" with --upper surface portion--. As a result, the claims consistently refer to the "upper surface portion."

The amendments are believed to be needed for clarifying or correcting minor obvious errors, and do not require a substantial amount of additional work on the part of the Office. The amendments do not add new matter and review and approval are respectfully requested. If the Examiner feels that any further discussions about this case would be beneficial, she is invited to contact the undersigned.

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